

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Held on Monday, October 24, 2011 at the
Town of Bowden Administration Building**

Call to Order

Mayor Robb Stuart called the meeting to order at 8:51 p.m.

PRESENT	Mayor	Robb Stuart
	Councillor	Steve Blamire
	Councillor	Sheila Church
	Councillor	Pat Doll
	Councillor	Sandy Gamble
	Councillor	Cory Jasper
	Councillor	Wayne Milaney
STAFF	Lori Conkin	Chief Administrative Officer

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda & Adoption of the Agenda

Councillor Cory Jasper adds Agenda Item # 7.a Ball Diamond Lease
Lori Conkin, Chief Administrative Officer adds Agenda Item #7.b Rick Hansen Relay

Motion 2.a Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council approves the October 24, 2011 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended. **MOTION CARRIED**

Adoption of the Previous Minutes

Motion 3.a Moved by Councillor Cory Jasper that Council approves the October 11, 2011 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 5 Appointments

Item 5.a Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Mayor Robb Stuart conducted the ceremony to appoint Councillor Wayne Milaney as Deputy Mayor for the Town of Bowden from October 24, 2011 – April 23, 2012.

Item 6 Manager of Operations & Facilities

Item 6.a October 2011 Report

The October 2011 Manager of Operation & Facilities Report was presented to Council.

Motion 5.a.i Moved by Councillor Steve Blamire that Council accepts the October 2011 Manager of Operation & Facilities Report for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 7 Old Business

Item 7.a Ball Diamond Lease

The Town of Bowden entered into a five year lease with the Bowden and District Agriculture Society in 2007 for the softball diamonds which will expire December 31, 2011. Council members discussed that the current usage of the ball diamonds was light and that more aggressive marketing of them should be contemplated. Councillor Cory Jasper has approached the Recreation Board to further discuss this issue. The Recreation Board has no interest in managing the bookings of the ball diamonds.

Motion 7.a.i Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council receives the Recreation Board decline of managing the ball diamonds for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion 7.a.ii Moved by Councillor Cory Jasper that Council directs administration to contact the Agriculture Society about the lease. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 7.b Rick Hansen Relay

The Rick Hansen Relay is going to be stopping in Bowden on March 1, 2012. The Rick Hansen Relay has requested that Council choose a local difference maker to be the community Medal-Bearer.

Motion 7.b Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council directs Councillor Sheila Church and Mayor Robb Stuart to select a Medal-Bearer and submit it to the Rick Hansen Relay by October 26, 2011. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 8 New Business

Item 8.a FCM Membership

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction. The FCM Annual Membership is now up for renewal for the April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013 year.

Motion 8.a Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council approves the renewal of the FCM Membership for the 2012/2013 year. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 8.b Brownlee Emerging Trends in Municipal Law 2012

Brownlee holds annual Emerging Trends in Municipal Law seminars in Edmonton and Calgary.

Motion 8.b Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council submits the following to attend the Brownlee Emerging Trends in Municipal Law 2012: Mayor Robb Stuart, Councillors Sheila Church and Sandy Gamble, CAO Lori Conkin and Manager of Operations & Facilities Ben Malek. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 9 Financial Statements

The following financial documents were presented to Council for information:

- a) Cheque Listing to October 19, 2011 (Cheque #'s 9792 - 9852 totalling \$70,322.99)
- b) Bank Reconciliation for September 2011

Motion 9.a Moved by Councillor Steve Blamire that Council accepts receives the attached Financial Statements for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Adjournment

Motion 12 Moved by Councillor Cory Jasper that the October 24, 2011 Regular Council Meeting adjourns at 9:15 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Robb Stuart

Lori Conkin, Chief Administrative Officer